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RMR 1. TODAY WHEN STEVENSON SPOKE TO QUAISSON-SACKY (GHANA) ON ANOTHER MATTER, LATTER SAID WHEN HE IN HAVANA IN AUG, FONMIN RAOUL ROA HAD ASKED HIM IF GHANA OR PERHAPS CANADA WOULD BE WILLING ACT AS GO-BETWEEN IN ATTEMPT RE-ESTABLISH BETTER RELATIONS BETWEEN CUBA AND US. QUAISSON-SACKY SAID CASTRO AND ROA AT THAT TIME MOST CONCERNED ABOUT DEGREE TO WHICH RUSSIANS AND CHINESE HAD PENETRATED CUBA AND STRIVING FOR CONTROL. ROA REPORTEDLY THOUGHT BEST WAY COUNTERACT THIS WAS TO RESTORE BETTER RELATIONS WITH US. QUAISSON-SACKY COMMENTED THAT PERHAPS WITH RECENT RUSSIAN MILITARY BUILD-UP IN CUBA AND NEW US SHIPPING EMBARGO, THINGS HAD GONE TOO FAR. HE HAD ACCORDINGLY HESITATED APPROACH STEVENSON BECAUSE OF THESE DEVELOPMENTS. 3-3

2. STEVENSON SAID PROBLEMS WITH CUBA WERE NOT BILATERAL BUT BETWEEN CUBA AND WHOLE AMERICAN COMMUNITY AND SAID THAT ANY CUBAN APPROACH SHOULD BE TO AMERICAN COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE.

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